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By Senators Regala, Brandland, Hargrove, Weinstein, Esser, Kohl-Welles and Oke; by request of Washington Council for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect

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1 AN ACT Relating to the "Keep Kids Safe" license plate series;  
2 amending RCW 43.121.100; reenacting and amending RCW 46.16.313; adding  
3 a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter  
4 46.04 RCW.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.16 RCW  
7 to read as follows:

8 (1) The legislature recognizes that the "Keep Kids Safe" license  
9 plate has been reviewed and approved by the special license plate  
10 review board.

11 (2) The department shall issue a special license plate displaying  
12 artwork, approved by the special license plate review board,  
13 recognizing efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect. The special  
14 license plate may be used in lieu of regular or personalized license  
15 plates for vehicles required to display one or two vehicle license  
16 plates, excluding vehicles registered under chapter 46.87 RCW, upon  
17 terms and conditions established by the department.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**    A new section is added to chapter 46.04 RCW  
2 to read as follows:

3        "Keep Kids Safe license plates" means license plates issued under  
4 section 1 of this act that display artwork recognizing efforts to  
5 prevent child abuse and neglect in Washington state.

6        **Sec. 3.**    RCW 46.16.313 and 2004 c 221 s 3, 2004 c 48 s 3, and 2004  
7 c 35 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

8        (1) The department may establish a fee of no more than forty  
9 dollars for each type of special license plates issued under RCW  
10 46.16.301(1) (a), (b), or (c), as existing before amendment by section  
11 5, chapter 291, Laws of 1997, in an amount calculated to offset the  
12 cost of production of the special license plates and the administration  
13 of this program. This fee is in addition to all other fees required to  
14 register and license the vehicle for which the plates have been  
15 requested. All such additional special license plate fees collected by  
16 the department shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to  
17 the motor vehicle fund.

18        (2) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
19 application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a  
20 collegiate license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty dollars.  
21 The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve dollars of  
22 each fee collected under this subsection for administration and  
23 collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall be  
24 remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper  
25 identifying detailed report. The state treasurer shall credit the  
26 funds to the appropriate collegiate license plate fund as provided in  
27 RCW 28B.10.890.

28        (3) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
29 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a collegiate  
30 license plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The department shall  
31 deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee collected under  
32 this subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by  
33 it. The remaining proceeds shall be remitted to the custody of the  
34 state treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report. The state  
35 treasurer shall credit the funds to the appropriate collegiate license  
36 plate fund as provided in RCW 28B.10.890.

1 (4) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
2 application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder of a  
3 special baseball stadium license plate shall pay an initial fee of  
4 forty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed  
5 twelve dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for  
6 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining  
7 proceeds, minus the cost of plate production, shall be distributed to  
8 a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest payments  
9 on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium, as  
10 defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary  
11 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW  
12 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds  
13 to the state general fund.

14 (5) In addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
15 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a special  
16 baseball stadium license plate shall pay a fee of thirty dollars. The  
17 department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each fee  
18 collected under this subsection for administration and collection  
19 expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall be distributed  
20 to a county for the purpose of paying the principal and interest  
21 payments on bonds issued by the county to construct a baseball stadium,  
22 as defined in RCW 82.14.0485, including reasonably necessary  
23 preconstruction costs, while the taxes are being collected under RCW  
24 82.14.360. After this date, the state treasurer shall credit the funds  
25 to the state general fund.

26 (6) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on  
27 January 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid  
28 upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of a  
29 professional fire fighters and paramedics license plate shall pay an  
30 initial fee of forty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount  
31 not to exceed twelve dollars of each fee collected under this  
32 subsection for administration and collection expenses incurred by it.  
33 The remaining proceeds must be remitted to the custody of the state  
34 treasurer with a proper identifying detailed report. Under RCW  
35 46.16.755, the state treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor  
36 vehicle account until the department determines that the state has been  
37 reimbursed for the cost of implementing the professional fire fighters  
38 and paramedics license plates. Upon the determination by the

1 department that the state has been reimbursed, the treasurer shall  
2 credit the proceeds to the Washington State Council of Fire Fighters  
3 benevolent fund established under RCW 46.16.30902.

4 (7) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January  
5 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
6 renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a professional fire  
7 fighters and paramedics license plate shall, upon application, pay a  
8 fee of thirty dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to  
9 exceed two dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for  
10 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining  
11 proceeds must be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a  
12 proper identifying detailed report. Under RCW 46.16.755, the state  
13 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until  
14 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the  
15 cost of implementing the professional fire fighters and paramedics  
16 special license plate. Upon the determination by the department that  
17 the state has been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds  
18 to the Washington State Council of Fire Fighters benevolent fund  
19 established under RCW 46.16.30902.

20 (8) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on  
21 November 1, 2004, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid  
22 upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of a  
23 "Helping Kids Speak" license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty  
24 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve  
25 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration  
26 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds must be  
27 remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper  
28 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state  
29 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until  
30 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the  
31 cost of implementing the "Helping Kids Speak" special license plate.  
32 Upon the determination by the department that the state has been  
33 reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the "Helping  
34 Kids Speak" account established under RCW 46.16.30904.

35 (9) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on November  
36 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
37 renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a "Helping Kids Speak"  
38 license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty dollars.

1 The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two dollars of each  
2 fee collected under this subsection for administration and collection  
3 expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds must be remitted to  
4 the custody of the state treasurer with a proper identifying detailed  
5 report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state treasurer shall credit  
6 the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until the department  
7 determines that the state has been reimbursed for the cost of  
8 implementing the "Helping Kids Speak" special license plate. Upon the  
9 determination by the department that the state has been reimbursed, the  
10 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the "Helping Kids Speak" account  
11 established under RCW 46.16.30904.

12 (10) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due on  
13 January 1, 2005, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid  
14 upon application and registration of a vehicle, the holder of a "law  
15 enforcement memorial" license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty  
16 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed twelve  
17 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration  
18 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall  
19 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper  
20 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state  
21 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until  
22 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the  
23 cost of implementing the law enforcement memorial special license  
24 plate. Upon the determination by the department that the state has  
25 been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the law  
26 enforcement memorial account established under RCW 46.16.30906.

27 (11) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January  
28 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
29 renewal of a vehicle registration, the holder of a "law enforcement  
30 memorial" license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty  
31 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two  
32 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration  
33 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall  
34 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper  
35 identifying detailed report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state  
36 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until  
37 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the  
38 cost of implementing the law enforcement memorial special license

1 plate. Upon the determination by the department that the state has  
2 been reimbursed, the treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the law  
3 enforcement memorial account established under RCW 46.16.30906.

4 (12)(a) Effective with vehicle registrations due or to become due  
5 on January 1, 2006, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be  
6 paid upon application and registration of a motor vehicle, the holder  
7 of a "Keep Kids Safe" license plate shall pay an initial fee of forty-  
8 five dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed  
9 twelve dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for  
10 administration and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining  
11 proceeds shall be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with  
12 a proper identifying report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state  
13 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until  
14 the department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the  
15 cost of implementing the "Keep Kids Safe" license plate. Upon  
16 determination by the department that the state has been reimbursed, the  
17 treasurer shall credit the proceeds to the children's trust fund  
18 established under RCW 43.121.100.

19 (b) Effective with annual renewals due or to become due on January  
20 1, 2007, in addition to all fees and taxes required to be paid upon  
21 renewal of a motor vehicle registration, the holder of a "Keep Kids  
22 Safe" license plate shall, upon application, pay a fee of thirty  
23 dollars. The department shall deduct an amount not to exceed two  
24 dollars of each fee collected under this subsection for administration  
25 and collection expenses incurred by it. The remaining proceeds shall  
26 be remitted to the custody of the state treasurer with a proper  
27 identifying report. Pursuant to RCW 46.16.755, the state treasurer  
28 shall credit the proceeds to the motor vehicle account until the  
29 department determines that the state has been reimbursed for the cost  
30 of implementing the "Keep Kids Safe" license plate. Upon determination  
31 by the department that the state has been reimbursed, the treasurer  
32 shall credit the proceeds to the children's trust fund established  
33 under RCW 43.121.100.

34 **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.121.100 and 1987 c 351 s 5 are each amended to read  
35 as follows:

36 The council may accept contributions, grants, or gifts in cash or  
37 otherwise, including funds generated by the sale of "heirloom" birth

1 certificates under chapter 70.58 RCW from persons, associations, or  
2 corporations and funds generated through the issuance of the "Keep Kids  
3 Safe" license plate under chapter 46.16 RCW. All moneys received by  
4 the council or any employee thereof from contributions, grants, or  
5 gifts and not through appropriation by the legislature shall be  
6 deposited in a depository approved by the state treasurer to be known  
7 as the children's trust fund. Disbursements of such funds shall be on  
8 the authorization of the council or a duly authorized representative  
9 thereof and only for the purposes stated in RCW 43.121.050. In order  
10 to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control, such funds  
11 shall be subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no  
12 appropriation shall be required to permit expenditure of such funds.

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